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SETTING UP OF THERMAL POWER PLANT IN YAMUNA NAGAR
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for not starting work on the thermal power plant at Yamuna Nagar, Haryana, even after so many years of land acquisition; and

(b) the time by which the Government are likely to start work on this project?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER(SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : The Yamuna Nagar Thermal Power Project with a capacity of 4x210 MW was cleared by the Central Electricity Authority and approved by the Planning Commission in 1984 as a State Sector Project.Efforts made to implement this project through foreign independent power producers as well as through NTPC have not beensuccessful. NTPC was not in a position to take up this project since it involved transportation of coal over 1430 km; the cost of power generated was not found to be viable proposition in the long run and the project was taken back by the State in 1994. Efforts to execute it through M/s. Eisenberg Group of Companies also did not fructify as the developer could not achieve financial closure. The process of inviting competitive bids through International competitive bidding process taken up in the year 1998 also did not mature.